

Church News

Conversions During Third Quarter

During the third quarter of the present year one hundred and twenty-five conversions were reported in the columns of the EVANGELIST.

For the first quarter 515 were reported; 211 for the second quarter and 125 for the third quarter. During this quarter the attention of the ministers and workers were directed to the various conferences. It is really the rest quarter of the year. I confidently expect that the coming quarter, the one just following that of rest and conference, will show the largest gains of the year. Let us labor to that end, Brethren, not for the sake of numbers, but for the salvation of souls and the glory of God. This present quarter is the last of the old century. It ought to be three months filled with earnest work for the saving of last souls.

J. L. GILLIN.

Information

The conference of the Kanemorado District requested that every minister of the district who was not at the conference and did not present a credential of standing to the conference should do so and the president, J. R. Kimmel, McLouth, Kans., on receiving such credential of standing from his church was authorized to issue a ministerial certificate signed by himself and also by the District Secretary, and properly stamped with the seal of the district. Will every minister please attend to this matter at once so that none but authorized ministers' names appear in Annual from the District.

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A. J. HIXSON.

Elkhart, Ind.

Services quite well attended; since last report four have been added to this class, one by baptism and three by letter. Brother Pippinger and wife came from Nappanee. Their loss is indeed our gain. We have long been praying for a leader in singing in the Elkhart church; now we feel our prayers have been answered. Brother Pippinger being a fine leader.

Dunlaps:—We are holding our own at this place. Services well attended. Our communion service passed off pleasantly, good attendance the active members being all present. We expect the "Township Sunday-school Convention" to convene in our church Nov. 18.

Pleasant View:—The services at this place every two weeks are well attended. I have been praying for a great awakening at this place. We have some good, strong members here and a beautiful house of worship. Brethren, pray for us.

A. R. BEMENDERFER.

A Card of Thanks

Thru the EVANGELIST, wife and I wish to thank the sisters of Goshen for a comfort presented to us at our last meeting.

To thank the brethren and sisters of Oakville for their many acts of kindness and help during the trying hours of sickness and death of our babe.

To the Roann brethren and sisters for their kindness while with them in our final preparation for the west.

To the Mexico church for the liberal collection the Sunday evening I preached for them.

MR. & MRS. L. W. DITCH.

Akron, Ind.

We agreed at State Conference to write once a month for the paper. We will try and fulfill that agreement as near as we can.

We were very much disappointed on Oct. 27, on hearing of brother Wm. H. Miller being sick and could not fill his appointment. But Brother Wright preached for us on Sunday morning and evening. On account of Mr. Miller having typhoid fever we could not attend services but his sermons were highly spoken of. We were sorry to let brother Wm. H. Miller go as pastor of chapel, but we hope the Lord has a greater work for him in other fields of labor. There are bright prospects for an ingathering. We

are yet without a pastor, but if the pastor whoever he may be comes among his flock filled with the spirit of Christ God will abundantly bless him at this place in the salvation of souls. Pray for us that the church may prosper at this place.

MRS. JOHN MILLER.

Roanoke, Va.

Our condition from south West Va. confirms tidings of a very delightful district meeting and glorious love feasts.

The district meeting was not as largely attended by delegates as we had desired but what we lacked in numbers we made up in enthusiasm and earnestness. The churches that were represented showed marked spiritual life which promises good things for the future. The cause in S. W. Va. is certainly prosperous if not as much as we could hope, yet fully as much as we should expect.

That we have grown from one weak congregation of ten members to twelve congregations with several hundreds within a little over half a decade, and are capable of working a full district establishment, is amply worth special congratulations, and thanksgiving to God. We have been much strengthened and confirmed by the labors of our foreign brethren. Brother Love, of Lunenburg, proved a master in Israel in district meeting work and his labors made favorable and lasting impressions on our people. Brother Gillespie, of Bedford, proved himself "fervent in spirit, diligent in business, serving the Lord." He is a pillar in the church, a host in the Lord's army and his praise is in all the churches.

There are at least three meeting houses in contemplation during the ensuing year, one in Bedford, one at Boone's Chapel, and one in Lunenburg city. At the close of the district meeting our congregation, which entertained the meeting, held the annual love-feast. It was a joyous occasion. Brother Love, of Lunenburg officiated very ably and acceptably. On the following Monday the 29th, the Boone's Chapel congregation held its love feast. Brother Love also attended the meeting. About seventy members communed, and it was an occasion of much spiritual gladness. From Boone's Chapel Brother Love went to Pillsbury Co., fifty miles east, to assist Eld. G. C. Wood in a love feast. We are in pressing need of more evangelistic service. Let us pray the Lord of the harvest.

D. C. MOOMAW.

Homer, Ohio

The church here is in good working condition. We don't advertise ourselves very much but we go on in the even tenor of our way as usual.

Our business meeting was well attended and every thing was done harmoniously and in a Christian manner. Your correspondent was unanimously chosen pastor for another year which is the eighteenth year of our charge here. We have good congregations and good interest in all of our services.

Our communion on the 13th was all that we might have expected. Only three attended from sister churches, and no minister from other places, but we have material enough of our own to hold such services. One was baptized on the evening of our love-feast, who was confirmed by laying on of hands and prayer before the service began, and then for the first time enjoyed communion with us. Our prayer meetings are still interesting. Young Peoples meetings are good and every thing indicates good results this coming winter.

We expect to hold a protracted meeting in the near future. Brethren pray for us.

H. S. JACOBS.

Zion Hill Church, Ohio

Altho no report has appeared in the EVANGELIST from this place for quite a while, we have not been idle, God is blessing our labors. On last Saturday evening the brethren and sisters met for communion services. The meeting was well attended and enjoyed very much by those present. Brother Kieffer, our pastor, and Brother Jacobs officiating. The members feel very thankful to Brother Jacobs for his presence we always welcome him as he always has some en-

couraging things to tell us. One more was added to the church who had formerly been a member of the German Baptist church, we welcome her and hope she may find a happy church home among us. It was our blessed privilege to visit the Homer church this summer, of which Brother Jacobs is pastor. We drove twenty six miles on Sabbath morning in company with Brother and Sister Garver who live in Wooster but hold their membership in the Homer church. We found the members a pleasant and whole-hearted people. We enjoyed the day among them very much, and the grand good Bible truths were presented to us by Brother Jacobs, how soul cheering and uplifting they were to us all.

May God bless us and keep us all faithful to the end and bind us close together with the Christian bonds of love is my prayer.

MRS. C. B. SCHLOSSNAGEL.

Communion Notice

The Brethren of Highland, Washington Co., Pa., will hold their communion on Nov. 10. Preparatory service on the evening of the ninth. All of like faith are invited to attend those meetings.

J. B. GRABLE

Goblesville, Ind.

We were over to the Brethren church near Roanoke, Sunday, Oct. 28, and tried to preach the Word to them. Will go back the 25 of this month. There are a few faithful ones there and if they will have faith to hold on to the work they may yet see a good work accomplished in His name.

B. L. GORDON.

Enon, Iowa

We are endeavoring to hold forth the word of life as a small band of workers in the Lord's field. While the progress of the work here since the last report has not been of very great import yet there are some things of interest that can be said. Our attendance is good, and has been even during the hot weather. The Sunday-school is doing a good work under the supervision of brother C. W. Landis. Our pastor is still preaching the word of God with the same power as usual. Last Sunday he baptized three sisters and there are still others that have not yet chosen the good part. We pray that they may. We are not having prayer meeting in the country at present but expect to soon again. I think it is something that is needed very much. Our K. C. meeting is moving along nicely; the attendance is not as large as it might be. Our semi-annual communion for fall is yet in the future. The new church in Waterloo is expected to be finished by the middle of November. Sister Mary Smith has been sick for some time but is improving, but one of her brothers died on the 25th of October. We ask an interest in your prayers.

J. J. PECK.

Goshen, Ind.

Yes, I am writing from Goshen but I must speak about the closing of our work at Milford. There were four baptisms not reported, two of which was a result of a week's preaching at Syracuse last spring.

Brother Milton Brumbaugh was called by the church to the eldership and has been ordained. He was a deacon and superintendent of the Sunday school. I had a fine opportunity to watch the practical application of the scriptures in this call as there were a number of brethren who differed but little in their qualifications. After prayer the scriptural qualifications were carefully gone over, and then the work of the elder as given by Paul to the Ephesian elders was noticed after which ballots were distributed and the secret ballot showed such a united sentiment as to surprise the membership. Brother Brumbaugh received every vote but five and these were scattered among four other names. So the church at Milford is not without a head tho without a pastor.

It is not often that a retiring pastor makes himself so notorious that his members become anxious to haul him out of town, yet that is just what happened at Milford. Four of the brethren came in and with